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It Will Pay You.

We think it will pay you to take advantage at once of our offer to send *Good Cheer* to all subscribers to THE WATCHMAN, old or new, who will pay one year in advance, thus securing TWO PAPERS FOR THE PRICE OF ONE. After October 31st it will be necessary to pay to November 1st, 1884, to secure *Good Cheer* free. Delays are dangerous!

Local Items.

CIRCULATING library at H. E. Clayton's. NOTTINGHAM lace curtains at Webster's are cheap.

PURE goods and low prices at F. H. Bascom's drug store.

An extra fine line of Hamburg edgings at Webster's.

A FEW No. 1 cider barrels for sale at Frank H. Bascom's drug store.

L. P. GLEASON & Co. offer the greatest bargains in velvets and seal plushes.

L. P. GLEASON & Co. have just received thirty pieces of nice all-wool dress flannel.

L. P. GLEASON & Co. have a fine assortment of socks and hawkevels for misses of all ages.

SEND seven cents to H. C. Webster and receive the complete catalogue of Harper's Bazar patterns.

A FINE lot of Massachusetts, Golden Seal, and Figon cigars just received at Frank H. Bascom's drug store.

WARNER'S Kidney Cure and Pain's Celery Compound are having a great sale at F. H. Bascom's drug store.

SOME bargains in extra super carpets just received at J. G. Morrison & Co.'s. Call and see them before buying.

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ANY one in want of a job or express wagon, Concord make, one and one-half inch axle, good as new, will find a bargain by enquiring of F. A. Dwinell, Plainfield.

THIS week at J. G. Morrison & Co.'s, new foreign dress goods, dress flannels, knit goods, dolmans, Langtry's and socks. We ask your attention to our line of black dress goods.

L. P. GLEASON & Co. have a complete assortment of worsted dress goods, comprising every desirable color in the ottoman cloths, armures, cashmeres, etc., and all the novelties of the season.

In the pursuit of dry goods for use and adornment, if you want cashmeres or cheap dress goods, silk velvets, velveteens, plushes, cloaks, hosiery, gloves, buttons or ribbons, just go to Webster's and look around. You may see something that is cheap.

Mrs. D. A. SLACK has returned from Boston, where she spent a few days in getting the fall styles, and is now prepared to execute all orders for dressmaking promptly and in the latest style. Any one in need of employment in her line would do well to call on her.

You will find a good assortment of ash and painted chamber sets, lounges, mirrors, spring beds, wire mattresses, easy, willow and basket chairs, and anything that you need to keep house with, as cheap as can be bought in Washington county, at A. T. Straw & Co.'s, Main street, Waterbury, Vt.

G. W. FLAGG of Braintree offers for sale Cotswold rams of all ages, for breeding purposes; also a few choice Cotswold ewes. This flock originated from George V. Hogle, Champlain, N. Y., and are from imported stock. They average to shear ten and three-fourths pounds, and will be sold for reasonable prices.

RICHARDSON & FULLERTON, Waterbury, Vt., leave little to be said about their wares, in their new advertisement in this WATCHMAN. "Carl" and "Jim" were Waterbury boys-to-geathey. They have pulled together as tradesmen for many years and have also pulled to gether a large and flourishing business. They work like a well matched team, are all right on the great questions of the day, and we believe they have goods to match their statements to the finest shade.

Current Mention.

"WHOM I have joined together let no other man put asunder," is the way a young Bennington justice marries them.

REV. HOWARD F. HILL of Christ church intends to hold religious services in the school house at Iraville, Waitsfield, on Sunday next at four o'clock, P. M.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Vermont & Canada railroad, which occurred last Thursday at Bellows Falls, it was voted to adjourn until December 18th, the object being to allow the Central Vermont to remove certain obstacles still in the way of the completion of the proposed compromise.

The general term of the supreme court convened yesterday at ten o'clock, with Judges Royce, Ross, Powers, Veazey, Taft and Rowell in attendance. The term promises to be of short duration, as a large number of long chancery cases were heard and disposed of at the May term of Washington county supreme court.

J. M. HAVEN was arrested last week on complaint of State's Attorney Howe and arraigned before Justice Bailey, charged with over-issuing stock of the Rutland railroad in June, 1881. He waived an examination and gave bail in the sum of \$5,000, A. C. Bates and his son, Frank A. Haven, recognizing in that sum.

RECEIVER RICH has made a proposition to the depositors' committee of the St. Albans Trust Company looking to the formation of a syndicate to take the Norwood property and handle it in the interests of depositors. The receiver looks upon this mode of procedure as the only means at his command to see that victims of the Trust Company have a fair representation at the coming sale.

The Phoenix tells a joke on "Forbes" in the Journal. It says: "Forbes thinks he was a little previous in remarking to a young lady, who was one of a bridal party on the train between Westminster and Brattleboro, Wednesday afternoon, that it was no use trying then to make the bridegroom talk to anybody but his wife, 'but wait two years and he would be ready enough to talk to somebody else.' The only trouble with Forbes was he didn't know

it was the bride, herself whom he was addressing in his pursuit of information about the wedding."

CORRESPONDENCE from Stowe, Waitsfield, Payson and Granville did not reach us till Wednesday of last week and consequently could not be inserted. To be sure of appearing the current week, correspondence must be received not later than Tuesday noon. Very important items may be sent on the afternoon trains Tuesday, but the regular weekly items must be here by Tuesday noon.

The ninth regiment Vermont volunteers' association was organized at the officers' reunion at Rutland last week by the election of General E. H. Ripley, president; Captain D. W. Lewis, vice-president; Captain J. C. Baker, secretary; Lieutenant J. C. Stearns, treasurer. This regiment will hold an annual reunion of all veterans who served in the regiment, at such time and place as the president shall designate.

In an editorial note in THE WATCHMAN of last week if "watchers" is read for "watches" and "possible" for "primal," the work of proof-reading will have been done and the sentence in which those misprints were made will read: "According to some of these political watchers there is also something of a thumping for Senator Morrill's self-succession by reason of the possible active agitation of the tariff and coinage questions."

In connection with Judge Wheeler's recent reprinting of Superintendent Eayres for the unwarrantable liberties he had allowed Silas M. Walte, it is now stated that complaint on the same ground came to Governor Barlow last summer and he at once instructed the directors of the house of correction to notify the superintendent that this practice must be stopped immediately. An investigation of the matter is now in progress and, if it should appear that Superintendent Eayres received such notice and has disobeyed it, he will be dismissed at once.

The citizens of this community especially, must not forget the meeting of the state teachers' association to be held in this village this week, beginning this (Wednesday) evening. It is expected that all the exercises will be interesting. Especial attention is called to the lecture of Professor E. H. Russell of Worcester, Mass., subject, "English Literature as an Element of Education." Principal Brown has heard this lecture and speaks highly of its practical value and its popular qualities. Programmes will be distributed, or can be had at Capital Hall after Wednesday evening.

A HEARING on the petition of the Barton national bank to have Bradley Barlow declared an insolvent debtor was held last week before Judge Bailey, General W. W. Grout appearing for the bank and A. P. Cross, Esq., for Mr. Barlow. The petition was allowed and Mr. Barlow at once took an appeal to the county court. It is stated that he does not intend to contest insolvency proceedings so far as he is concerned, but as the Barlow case was appealed and the two cases are very closely connected, it is thought best to have the Barlow case held back until the other is decided.

THE Montreal Gazette says that Messrs. Macmaster, Hutchinson & Weir have made three more seizures for large amounts on the South-eastern railway company. Two seizures amounting to \$34,000 are made on behalf of the Ontario car and foundry company of London. One of these for \$23,000 is based on a claim for the manufacture of fifty coal cars at \$450 each, which were ordered by the railway in March last and were delivered in April. The second claim is for \$11,000, the cost of twenty cattle cars at \$550 each. The Ontario car company of London also make a seizure of \$11,181.87, for a balance due on two hundred railway platform cars at \$440 each.

The annual meeting of the Vermont Bar Association was held at the court house last evening. The exercises were very interesting, consisting of addresses, the reading of papers, etc. The election of officers takes place this morning and the bar supper to-night at the Pavilion. Among prominent lawyers present at the association meeting thus far may be mentioned Hon. L. P. Poland, Hon. E. R. Hard, Hon. A. P. Huntoon, Hon. L. H. Hinkley, F. W. McGillicuddy, Esq., L. W. Reddington, Esq., S. B. Hebard, Esq., Colonel J. D. Dennison, Colonel A. M. Dickey, W. D. Crane, Esq., Judge Hoyt H. Wheeler, ex-Governor Farnham, Hon. Geo. W. Harmon, Hon. Daniel Roberts and Hon. W. C. French.

THE St. Albans Messenger says: "One of the indictments against Lawrence Brainerd is founded on a loan of \$30,000 made to himself about seven days prior to the closing of the trust company. The facts alleged are that at this time the trust company had a deposit of \$30,000 in the Vermont National Bank; that Lawrence Brainerd checked out \$30,000 of this deposit and gave his note to the trust company therefor. Governor Colton testifies that the Norwood Lumber company did not receive any money from Brainerd after July 1. The query naturally arises what became of this \$30,000 in cash, if it is accepted as true that Lawrence Brainerd had only \$242 in his pocket when the trust company failed."

THE Vermont Bible Society held its annual meeting in Barre, the 17th. The reports showed 6,181 families visited by the three colporteurs during the year; 4,768 Bibles were distributed and \$3,355 raised for the society, including sales and donations. The officers are as follows: Hon. Joseph Poland, president; Revs. Leonard Tenney and H. A. Spencer, vice-presidents; Rev. J. O. Sherburn, recording secretary; Rev. L. Tenney, corresponding secretary; Hon. John A. Page, treasurer; also twelve directors. The society will employ an agent to prosecute his work throughout the state and act as corresponding secretary. At the evening session Rev. S. L. B. Speare of Middlebury gave the annual address.

THE annual meeting of the veterans of Vermont was held at Rutland the 18th instant. At the business meeting the following officers for the year ensuing were chosen: President, Colonel T. O. Seaver; first vice-president, Colonel W. C. Holbrook; second vice-president, Captain T. S. Peck; secretary, Captain Fred E. Smith; treasurer, General L. G. Kingsley; executive committee, General L. P. Pitkin, Captain J. W. Clark, Lieutenant J. C. Stearns. Montpelier was selected as the place for holding the next meeting. In the evening Colonel Holbrook of the Seventh delivered the address at the opera house. The banquet was spread in Baxter music hall, and there, with toasts and speeches, songs and reminiscences, the veterans spent the time till the early morning hours. The meeting was largely attended, and the occasion was a very enjoyable one.

WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT met pursuant to adjournment, on Monday evening, October

22d, Judge Ross presiding, to dispose of the few cases remaining undecided, and to adjourn. The only business of the session was the disposition of two cases as follows: Martha L. Caldwell vs. Don Carlo Caldwell, libel for divorce, bill granted for intolerable severity, and the property of the wife brought to the husband at the time of the marriage decreed to the petitioner as alimony; exceptions by the petitioner; decree stayed. State vs. William Blood. This was a prosecution for the unlawful sale of intoxicating liquor under the prohibitory law and appealed from the judgment of a justice and entered in county court at the March term, 1880. Bail was fixed at \$300, and the same was subsequently called and forfeited. The question here was on a motion to change the bonds, filed by the respondent. Motion denied. The court adjourned sine die.

BRADFORD is taking steps to stop the illegal sale of liquors. A letter signed by ex-Governor Farnham, Principal Cummings, Pastors Clark and Frost and thirty or forty of the other prominent citizens was presented to the two men who were engaged in the business, warning them kindly and firmly to desist from the illegal traffic or be prepared to suffer the penalty of the law. The delegation which called with the letter, which consisted of the first three of the above named gentlemen, was kindly received, and one of the men visited said he had already ceased to sell liquor and should sell no more; and further that he was willing to have his premises searched as often and as thoroughly as they wished. The signers have chosen a committee of three who are authorized to prosecute all violators of the law. If every town in the state would adopt such a decided course, the sale of intoxicating liquor might be stopped almost instantly. The matter is entirely and only in the hands of the people.

MR. T. W. WOOD's name is a synonym for a peculiar quality of excellence and cleverness in matters of art. In none of his late efforts which have been seen in this village has his genius for finished execution, for the successful and happy handling of a subject, been more strikingly displayed than in the portrait of Dr. Julius U. Dewey, the founder and the old-time president of the National Life Insurance Company. This superb picture has recently been hung in the president's room at the office of the company. The attitude of natural and unconstrained ease, the striking features, the clear and animated expression, are almost a living and breathing reproduction of the doctor. Smoothness without tameness, perfection in finish and the entirely satisfied impression produced by all the details of color and arrangement, testify to the high artistic excellence of the picture. "The height of art is to conceal art," and in this portrait study on everything but its subject, Mr. Wood's brush stands the test of highest artistic achievement.

WILLIAMSTOWN contributes the following through its regular correspondent: "It is in no wise in competition with Miss Phelps' 'Gates Ajar' that this truthful anecdote (told us by the Sunday-school teacher herself) is offered. One of her little pupils, a girl of a few summers, had a pet pig that she was very fond of. One day as the teacher was passing the house of her little scholar, she found her in the yard, crying bitterly over the death of her pig and she at once set to work to comfort the little mourner as best she could. Finally, a gleam of hope shot into the young mind, the tears ran less copiously, and the girl was able to say, 'When I get to heaven I shall find my little pig, shan't I, teacher?' 'O yes,' was the reply, 'it will be there.' 'And I shall know it just as quick as I see it,' added the girl. 'And how will that be?' inquired her teacher. 'O, by its tail,' was the quick reply. 'And what was there peculiar about its tail?' 'Why, it hasn't got any,' and at this last explanation of the comforted pupil, we suspect the mouth of the teacher was more ajar than 'the gates' through which she had attempted to look."

THE New York Sun recently printed an alleged portrait of Holman of Indiana, whom it professes greatly to admire and is "booming" for the presidency. Newspaper portraits at their best are not apt to be extremely flattering and the natural beauty of the austere Sucker was not enhanced by the Sun's publication. The Times funny man refers to it as a "rancid visage whose appearance strongly confirms the charge that he carries two kinds of tobacco, one for his own rumination and one to feed to Baptists." In the brief biographical sketch with which the work of art was accompanied the Sun remarked that his ideal candidate was of slight stature and "weighs about one hundred and forty pounds." Whereupon the Times humorist remarks: "The Sun has broken its Holman boom right in two in the middle and thrown away the pieces. Everybody knows what the Sun means when it mentions the weight of a democratic candidate. It said of General Hancock that he was 'a good man, weighing two hundred and fifty pounds,' and General Hancock's friends assert to this day that their candidate was slain by that sarcastic allusion to his weight. Now that the Sun has informed those persons who did not appreciate the humor of the Holman boom, but actually believed that the Sun was in earnest, that Holman is a good man and 'weighs about one hundred and forty pounds,' no one can fail to understand that our esteemed contemporary has become tired of its joke and is ready to turn to fresh booms and candidates more or less green."

THE gold mines at Tyson Furnace are running full head says the Woodstock Standard, and if we may judge from the outside they are doing a good stroke of business. The mine is situated about three-fourths of a mile from the old road on the east side of the lower Plymouth Pond, on what is known as Buffalo brook. Gold has been found on this brook by different parties for quite a number of years, which led to considerable prospecting for ore, and the present company found what they call a rich vein about three years ago. They sank a shaft about twenty-five feet and ran a drift from it about five feet. The ore vein here was about seven feet wide and was rich enough to pay big for working. Since then they have erected a large mill for crushing and separating the ore, a suitable boarding house and several other buildings. The mill is situated several hundred feet from the mine and considerably lower. The ore is conveyed to the mill by the means of a double track, the loaded car drawing the empty one back. A steam drill is used, the steam for working it being conveyed from the engine in the mill to the mine in iron pipes. A level has been run in about one hundred feet to meet the shaft several feet below the drift from which they get the ore. The ore is carried to the head of the double track from the foot of the shaft by small cars. There has been much money spent in getting

it in working order, and we hope not uselessly. But that remains to be seen. There is no doubt but there is gold in the hills of Plymouth, and if in quantities to pay for working we shall probably know from the success or failure of the present company.

At the opening of the general term of the supreme court, Judge Poland said he desired to submit a motion not pertaining to the ordinary business of the court. He said in substance: "It is known to your honors, as to us all, that Lord Coleridge, the eminent chief justice of England, has been in this country for the last two months. He has visited, and been received and entertained by the bar of many of the principal cities in the country. Everywhere he seems to have met with a most cordial reception, and everybody seems to have been delighted with him. His speeches at the various public receptions given him, show a wonderful comprehension of our Nation and government, and such as is uncommon in a citizen of a government, in some respects so unlike ours. I understand that he is about to return to England, and this evening he is to be entertained by the bar of the city of New York. It has seemed to me that some recognition of his high personal and official character, and of our gratification by his visit to this country by the bench and bar of this state, would be a proper and graceful thing to be done. If your honors shall concur in this view, I propose that a committee be appointed to prepare a complimentary message to be sent to Lord Coleridge, on behalf of the bench and bar of Vermont." Chief Justice Royce said the court fully concurred in the propriety of such a communication to the lord chief justice, and in the method proposed, and appointed Judge Poland, Hon. A. P. Huntoon and Hon. E. R. Hard a committee to prepare the same. The committee reported the following, which, being signed by Chief Justice Royce, and Judge Poland as chairman of the committee of the bar, was sent by telegraph to the Hon. Wm. M. Evans to be presented to Lord Coleridge:

SUPREME COURT OF VERMONT.
In Obedience, THANK AT MONTPELIER, Vt.
The bench and bar of Vermont send cordial greetings to the Lord Chief Justice of England. They desire to express their high appreciation of his visit to this country, and their admiration of his eminent judicial qualities and his high position in the government of his country. They are highly gratified by his visit to the United States, and especially by his kind and generous comprehension of our country, our government, and our people. They trust his visit here has been a pleasant and agreeable one, and will afford him pleasant memories in the future. They desire also to wish for him a safe return to his native land, and that he may long live to adorn his exalted station.
HOMER E. NOTCH, Chief Justice of Vermont.
LEWIS F. POLAND, Chairman of Committee of Bar.

I HEARD a good story about Senator Edmunds the other day, which illustrates one phase of his character to perfection, writes a Washington correspondent to the Troy Times. It is not generally known outside, but he holds the little federal patronage of Vermont very closely, and deems it an infringement on his prerogative to have any of the places filled except on his recommendation. Well, early in 1877, right after Hayes was inaugurated, old Judge Smalley, who had been for years United States district judge, fell sick and died. Mr. Edmunds consulted with his Vermont friends and determined to recommend Colonel W. G. Veazey, now a member of the supreme court, for the vacancy. But he waited, as usual, for the "resident to send for him and ask his advice, never doubting that it would be done. In the mean time the Rutland & Burlington railroad people, who thought that Veazey would not be quite the man to decide some railroad litigation which was to come before the court, sent James P. Hickok of Burlington to Washington. He was some sort of a cousin to Miss Burdard, who was then living in Mrs. Hayes' family. He called on her, was introduced to Mrs. Hayes, told some good Vermont stories, and alluded to his desire to know the President. He was invited up the next day, and Mr. Hayes tried to sound him on how his "southern policy" was accepted in Vermont. Hickok said the proper thing at the right time, and completely won Hayes' confidence. Finally, he spoke of the judgeship. "Why, I did not know there was a vacancy," was the President's answer. "I will ask Mr. Edmunds to suggest a successor." This was what Hickok did not want, and he blandly suggested that Mr. Edmunds was retained on one side of the railroad litigation. "Why do you not advise with Mr. Evans?" he asked; "he is practically a Vermonteer, and understands how matters are." Mr. Hayes promised to do it. Hickok posted over to the state department. He told Mr. Evans what had been said. "But I know of no one to recommend," said the secretary. Then Hickok suggested Hoyt M. Wheeler, a new judge in the state court, living in the remote south-eastern part of the state. Mr. Evans rather liked the idea of taking up a new man. The next day Wheeler's name was sent to the senate. Mr. Edmunds was very angry, but he said nothing, and Judge Wheeler was confirmed. But Mr. Edmunds did not go near the White House again for over two years, and asked no favors from the administration during Hayes' term. He has never had any trouble with any other President in that line.

Personal.

HON. CHARLES H. JOYCE has been duly admitted to practice before the supreme court of the United States at Washington.

REV. J. A. MACCOLL of New York city has received a unanimous call to become pastor of the Congregational church in St. Albans.

W. H. H. KENFIELD, county clerk of Lamoille county, has sufficiently recovered from recent indisposition to attend to business in his office.

THOMAS JOHN H. WILLIAMS of the Belows Falls savings institution was married the 17th, to Merab, eldest daughter of Daniel Kellogg of Westminster.

HON. CHARLES THATCHER of Bennington was recently unanimously elected an honorary member of the American chamber of commerce of New York city.

JUDGE VEAZEY of Rutland delivered the address, Wednesday, at the celebration at Schuylerville, N. Y., of the one hundred and sixtieth anniversary of Burgoyne's surrender.

HON. MATTHEW HALE, a native of Vermont and a graduate of the Burlington university, has been nominated by the republicans of the Albany judicial district for the office of judge of the supreme court.

COLONEL ROBERT A. HUTCHINS, formerly of Vermont, and a son of the late Major Ephraim Hutchins of Concord, N. H., has died at Los Angeles, Cal. Colonel Hutchins was a Union officer of high distinction in the late war.

PROFESSOR E. H. HIGLEY of Middlebury college insists upon his resignation and the corporation have accepted the same. He will prolong his stay in Germany, where he has been

for the last year, and devote himself to special studies.

T. W. GREENBLITT, for the past year and more the working editor of the St. Johnsbury Caledonian, leaves this week to take a position on the editorial staff of the Daily Herald, a new morning paper to be started at Hartford, Conn., November 1st.

G. W. GATES, for many years superintendent of the Vermont district of the Western Union Telegraph company, has resigned, to take effect November 1st. After that date the district will be under the direction of Superintendent Thomas Roche of Boston.

Montpelier.

C. W. SKINNER is in Boston. MISS JOSEPH GILL has returned from Massachusetts.

MISS MONIE LAPONT is visiting in Jersey city, N. J.

Mrs. D. A. GUTTILL has been quite ill but is now much better.

MISS JANEY O'GRADY has gone to Northfield to spend the winter.

News was received last Saturday of John B. Thurston's improvement.

BURNSIDE BAILEY was out Tuesday for the first time after a severe cold.

MR. AND MRS. GEORGE REED have returned from their visit in Massachusetts.

GEORGE SHEPARD has quite recovered from his illness and leaves for Hartford to-day.

A. C. HARLOW has photographed the fine pair of horses now driven by M. M. Cutler.

REV. H. B. PUTNAM, D.D., of Princeton, N. J., preached at Bethany church last Sunday.

Mrs. NELLIE E. DEWAR, the fashionable dress-maker, returned from Boston last week.

Mrs. GEORGE S. THOMPSON will occupy a part of M. E. Smille's house during the coming winter.

GEORGE W. WILDER, Esq., is thoroughly refitting and repairing his residence on Hubbard-ave.

MISS IDA NORRIS, who has been in Nantasket beach during the past season, returned home last week.

The air in some of the churches for a few weeks has been rendered almost unbearable by the poor gas.

How some of our "riches" must have chuckled to see those little girls begging on the street last Saturday.

There will be no evening service at Christ Church next Sunday evening, as the rector will leave at noon for Waitsfield.

REV. C. S. SMITH is to exchange his present residence for the Camp house on Middlesex street owned by N. P. Brooks.

COMPANY H has secured the mess tent and other culinary equipments formerly used by the Ramon Guards of St. Albans.

ERNEST LOWE has a new bicycle of the Pope manufacture. It is nickel plated and has a fifty-two inch wheel and cost \$163.

J. S. PECK, F. E. SMITH, J. C. STEARNS, P. P. PITKIN and F. Bixby attended the Vermont officers' reunion at Rutland last Thursday.

The subject of Rev. Dr. E. Miller's next Sunday evening discourse will be, Paul at Thessalonica, or the Gospel a Disturber of the Peace.

HUNTING parties are the appropriate thing just now. Game is so plenty that one party last week got more than a barrel full—a gun barrel.

Some new and tasty specimens of taxidermy art may be seen at Blakely's store, among them being a pro-slavery alligator and an elegantly mounted raven.

JUDGE WALES of Burlington was in town Wednesday in attendance upon the Farmer's Mutual Insurance Company's meeting of which company he is vice-president.

STATE street Saturday afternoon was the scene of a lively race between a man and a cow. If the man had let go of the cow's tail, he might have come in ahead.

N. P. BROOKS, Esq., while visiting at his daughter's in Amherst, Mass., on the 10th inst., fell and received a serious injury to his hip. His condition was so bad Monday that his son, John, went to him.

The State Homeopathic Society had a meeting at the Pavilion in this place Wednesday and Thursday of last week. Quite a number of physicians were present and several interesting papers were read.

The ladies of the Unitarian church held a social at Nathaniel Tabors' residence last evening. These societies are to be held fortnightly, the proceeds thereof to be devoted to sundry expenses of the church.

A MATCH game of base ball was played last Saturday on the seminary grounds between a nine from Randolph normal school and one from the seminary. The result was a victory for the home nine by a score of 57 to 32.

REHEARSALS are now in progress for "The Crimson Scarf." We are assured that the plot of this opera is very pleasing, and that the music is extremely bright and taking. The first of the concert will soon be announced.

E. H. ALLER, formerly with E. R. Skinner, but now traveling for B. J. Kendall & Co., of Henshaw Falls, has been in town dispensing Spanish cure. He is to take a trip with a team through Delaware and will be gone all winter.

HOWORTH'S Combination, which appeared here Friday and Saturday evenings to good houses, was novel and entertaining. An excellent series of panoramic views in Ireland was accompanied by several very amusing character artists.

REV. J. M. P. DUGLIE returned yesterday from his European trip, much improved in health. Father O'Sullivan, who has supplied his place during his absence, goes to Burlington. The latter was presented with \$124 by his congregation last Sunday.

THE next attraction booked for Capital Hall is the Kentz Santly Barlesque and Opera Company October 31st. Twenty young and beautiful girls, elegant costumes, etc. The young and handsome burlesque actress, Miss Alice Townsend will appear in this company.

WHILE tearing down the old building at the head of State street, a note was found dated March 24th, 1843, given by Oscar J. Vail to the Montpelier Bible Society for thirty-five cents "for the purchase of one Bible for the benefit of the heathen." It is to be presumed that the heathen are yet deprived of that particular Bible.

HERBERT M. SULLIVAN, who has been manager of the Rockingham house at Portsmouth, N. H., for some time, and formerly of this place, was in town over Sunday. He will sail for Hamilton, Bermuda, November 1st, where he has position as steward and acting manager of the Hamilton hotel.

F. H. BASCOM returned home last Friday from his western trip. During his twenty-eight days' absence he has visited Cincinnati, Chicago, Milwaukee, Omaha, Niagara Falls, Toronto, Montreal and many other places through that section, traveling in all about 4,000 miles. Aberdeen, Dakota, was his most westerly point in the trip.

At the meeting of the Vermont Historical Society on Tuesday, the 16th instant, the constitution of the society was amended so as to have their meetings hereafter biennial, in the years of the session of the legislature. The old board of officers was elected: President, Hon. E. P. Walton; secretary, C. W. Porter; treasurer, Hiram Garlison.

WILL CURLEY, who has been at work in the quarry at Barre, came down here last Friday to have a good time, which he did. When found late in the evening by Officer Ordway Mr. Curley was sadly wretched, and was taken in to straighten out. He was brought before Justice Clark Saturday morning, when he disclosed, liquidated and left.

HOBART NELSON TAPLIN died Tuesday morning, after a long period of feebleness, at the advanced age of nearly eighty-three years. Four sons, all of whom are well known business men, one daughter and his wife, aged eighty-six, survive him. He had been married upwards of fifty years. The funeral will take place Thursday at two o'clock.

WORK on the arch, preparatory to the extension of State street, pursuant to the order of

the court, has been begun, and is now well advanced. The block through which the arch extends was built in 1832 by John Spalding, who also built and resided in the so-called Colander house on State street, now owned by John Farwell. Mr. Spalding afterwards resided in a house which stood where E. P. Jewett's barn now is.

Mrs. LUCY (LANGDON) MANN died in Montpelier on the 18th instant, aged ninety-four years and three months. She was the oldest person in the town, and the oldest member of Bethany church. Lucy Langdon was born in Farmington, Conn., the twelfth of the thirteen children of Joseph Langdon and E. Susan. She settled in Montpelier and the immediate vicinity—Colonel James H. and Mrs. Mead in Montpelier, Edmund H. and Mrs. Spoville in Berlin. Lucy came to Montpelier to visit relatives in 1812, and then made the acquaintance of Joel Mead, who was the third son of Thomas Mead, the first settler in Middlesex, and also the first in this county. Joel Mead was of fine presence and fair promise, and Lucy married him in 1815. Her residence has been in Montpelier ever since. She was the mother of seven children, four of whom survive her; and we are glad to add that they, with her son-in-law, Harry S. Boutwell, have generally recognized the worth of an affectionate and faithful mother, by the utmost kindness in her long declining years. Mrs. Mead hath "done what she could," and has been highly esteemed in the church and in the community. Her birth was in the year of the establishment of the federal government, and two years preceding the admission of Vermont to the Union. Of how very few can that be said. But a Mrs. Mead we have had a verification of Solomon's promise to those who choose divine wisdom: "My son, forget not my law; but let thy heart keep my commandments for length of days, and long life, and peace: shall they add to thee?"

Insurance Companies' Elections.

The three fire insurance companies of Montpelier elected directors at one o'clock last Wednesday afternoon. The boards are as follows:

Vermont Mutual—Directors—Washington county, Timothy P. Redfield, Charles Dewey, Fred E. Smith, Charles T. Sabin, William T. Dewey; Addison county, W. G. Sprague; Rutland county, Charles E. Houghton; Chittenden county, M. A. Bingham; Caledonia county, S. S. Thompson; Essex county, Hiram A. Cutting; Franklin county, H. C. Austin; Grand Isle county, H. C. Hinkley; Orleans county, W. H. Bingham; Orange county, L. G. Hinkley; Orleans county, J. N. Webster; Rutland county, George Briggs; Windham county, C. W. Wymore; Windsor county, J. E. Goddard. Officers—W. H. Bingham, president; Fred E. Smith, vice-president; James T. Sabin, secretary; Horatio N. Taplin, Jr., treasurer. In the nominating of a board of five directors for Washington county, the following had the following result: Whole number of votes sixty